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The Honorable Lisa Margaret Smith U.S. Magistrate Judge United States District Court - Southern District of New York 300 Quarropas Street White Plains NY 10601



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Re: Trustees of the Laundry, Dry Cleaning Workers and Allied Industries
Health Fund et al. v. The Allen Supply & Laundry Services, Inc., 09-cv-9349
(KMK)(LMS)

Dear Magistrate Judge Smith:

I am writing with the consent of opposing counsel to request an adjournment and clarification regarding the scheduled settlement conference in the above-entitled action. There is confusion as to the conference date (Document Number 18 on the docket). Originally, the settlement conference was set for May 4, 2011; however, the conference is now scheduled for April 5, 2011. A copy of the current scheduling order is attached.

When the parties appeared before Judge Karas in March, they contemplated adjournment of the proceedings until May of 2011 to allow the parties to engage in settlement discussions. At this time, the parties are actively engaged in settlement discussions with regard to the benefit fund contributions in issue and mutually request that the settlement conference be adjourned until such time as the parties feel further settlement efforts would be futile without the Court's intervention. Given the productive state of negotiations, we believe that it is unlikely that the currently-scheduled date for the settlement conference would be necessary. Accordingly, we

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